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REMOVING NITROGEN OXIDES

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed April 2, 2009 which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Inasmuch as the initial due date for response was set for July 2, 2009, no Extension of Time or additional fee is believed due at this time. However, if any Extension of Time is necessary the same is hereby requested and if any additional fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 19-0089.

**Amendments to the claims** are shown in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 17.